IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of : Takashi Hotta Confirmation No. 4705

Group Art Unit : 2837

Application No. : 10/594,563

Examiner : Jeremy Austin Luks

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT MAILED AUGUST 27, 2008

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 27, 2008 in the above-identified application, the Applicants respectfully submit the following remarks.

In response to the election of species requirement set forth in the above-identified Office Action, the Applicants hereby elect Species I (FIGS. 1-2). The Applicants believe that claims 1, 2, and 7-14 are readable on the elected species. Also, the Applicants believe that claim 1 is generic to all of the species.

Should there be any questions concerning this matter, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants undersigned attorney. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments which may be incurred in connection with this paper under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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